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Thomas Bachtell, President
Buena Ventura Resources Corporation
215 South State Street, Suite 550
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Re: Notice of File Closure for Small Mining Activities, BVRC - West #1, S/047/039, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Bachtell:

Thank you for your letter received March 20, 1996, regarding the BVRC - West #1 mine, located in the SE1/4 NE1/4 Section 25, T40S, R20E, Uintah County, Utah. Please accept our apology for not responding to this letter earlier. As of this date, the Division will close out the file for the BVRC mine site based on our inspection of April 5, 1995. As the inspection memo dated April 11, 1995 indicated, the Division will no longer hold Buena Ventura Resources responsible for any further reclamation at this mine site. Although there is still a considerable amount of disturbance in the area, it is believed to be pre-law disturbance.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this action, please contact me at (801) 538-5267. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Tony Gallegos
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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cc: Carl Minden, Native Asphalt Co.
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